CITY OF ROCKS

City of Rocks State Park, Almo vicinity

This site on the California Overland Trail was named for the numerous formations of eroded granite rocks that resemble a city skyline. A well-watered, relatively level area, in contrast to the extensive sagebrush plains surrounding it, City of Rocks was a popular stopping point and camping site for westbound pioneers from the 1840s to the 1880s. Wagon tracks, along with initials and inscriptions carved into the rocks, attest to the thousands who once passed this way Most of the site is now incorporated within the City of Rocks National Reserve.